

## Press Release

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### **Corps lifts suspension on Ohio River Pipeline**

HUNTINGTON, WV... The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has reinstated a modified Department of the Army Permit that will allow Ohio River Pipe Line LLC (ORPL) to resume work on the Ohio River pipeline.

The agreement was reached after ORPL provided the Corps its long-range plan addressing compliance issues for the remainder of new pipeline construction. The permit modification includes the addition of special conditions such as implementation of the long-range plan, revegetation of disturbed areas and the completion of remaining deficiencies.

Work was suspended on the pipeline July 2 because of repeated instances of noncompliance associated with the original pipeline permit. On July 7 ORPL provided an interim plan to provide corrective measures to address those issues of non-compliance.

Recent inspections of the corrective work show that 85 percent of the non-compliance issues have been either corrected or partially corrected and 95 percent of the priority locations have been repaired, including Hocking Hills and Richland Furnace. Under ORPL's new agreement, remaining repairs will be completed by September 8.

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